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REQUEST**FOR****CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number 09/777,727**Filing Date** February 5, 2001**First Named Inventor** Matthew Stewart Platz**Art Unit** 1624**Examiner Name** H. Liu**Attorney Docket Number** 66-99A**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application**

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1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114**a. Previously submitted**

- i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

- iii. Other _____

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- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR§1.17(i) required)

- b. Other _____

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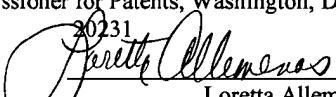
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed October 16, 2002, please enter the following remarks and amendments. This response is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination.

Please cancel claim 60.

Please amend claim 39 as follows:

39. (Twice amended) A non-toxic composition comprising:

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- (a) a member selected from the group consisting of biologically active protein, blood, and blood constituents; and
- (b) a water soluble blood product additive photosensitizer for inactivating microorganisms suitable for